Attorney Docket No: 0011-051 ENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER SADEMA Application Serial Number: Filing Date: Examiner: Group Art Unit: 12/12/2001 Michael K. Luhrs 2812 10/017,458 Invention: Dummy Metal Pattern Method and Apparatus TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** ADDITIONAL HIGHEST NUMBER NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS REMAINING RATE AFTER AMENDMENT PREVIOUSLY PAID CLAIMS PRESENT FEE FOR 0 \$ 0.00 23 **MINUS** 24 \$18 **TOTAL CLAIMS** 0 INDEP. CLAIMS 3 **MINUS** 3 \$84 \$ 0.00 X Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of 12/18/2002 to and through 4/18/03, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of: one month (\$110) three months (\$930) two months (\$410) four months (\$1450) TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT \$110.00 Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. X A check in the amount of \$ 110.00 is attached. Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account _____. No additional fee is required. Larry E. Henneman, Jr. Reg. No. 41,063

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